It is not confined to any one country on the face of God's green earth. It is a great question, involving the interest of mankind, as we believe, all over the world; and when we find such men as this mag-nificent Democrat from Maine, Arthur Sewall-when we find such men as George Fred Williams, from Massachusetts-when we find in every hamlet of this country men who believe as we believe, in the name of God how can any man say the question is sectional. I, and those who believe as I do, believe in fraternity, in liberty, in union, and we believe that we ought to stand together as one great people. I simply say that for myself and, as I believe, for the most of those who agree with me, that I utterly repudiate the charge that this question is sectional."

SENATOR HILL'S SPEECH.

The New Yorker's Keen Sarensm Makes the Mob's Leaders Squirm. Senator Hill ascended the platform amid siding officer, and then, with a smile, bowed his acknowledgments to the shouting, gesticulating crowd. Men were on their chairs waving handkerchiefs and flags and tossaway than it would again be Hill!" came from the Massachusetts dele- attitude. gation, half of them on chairs, and it was Again the demonstration broke | policy of a single nation alone.
"Mr. President, I regret also to see that after declaring for free silver," he said. "nominates any candidate but one, your Populistic friends will nominate a ticket and your free-silver friends will join hands

"No, no!" shouted a delegate. A HIT AT THE BOLTERS. inclination of his head toward the little coterie of free-silver bolters from the St. Louis convention, grouped on the platform, he said: "I see on this platform a number Democratic ticket in their lives. The Senator's speech follows: "Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the

Convention-I do not know that it is necessary that I should reply to the distinguished Senator from South Carolina (Senator Tillman), and I trust that in any re-ply I may make I shall not fail to accord him my profound respect. I would say at the outset. I am a Democrat; not a revoter what the provocation, you cannot drive know that it was his State that attempted fact confronts the to break up the Democratic party in 1860. attempts of every section of the country that State, you will hear me for my cause. (Renewed cheering and applause.) New York makes no apology to South relina for her situation. (Continued cheering and applause.) We get our Defrom our fathers. need to learn it from those whom my friend represents. Need I defend New York? No! It is not necessary. She de-fends herself. Need I defend the attacks made upon her and her citizens of wealth, men of intelligence and character? No It is not necessary. Need I remind this Democratic national convention that it is n the great State of New York and in its great city where the wealth that he invelghs against is situated? But it is that great city that never but once in its history gave a Republican majority. (Great applause.) When other cities failed to respond New York was the Gibraltar of De-

mocracy. (Loud applause and cries of Good! Good!') THE QUESTION OF THE MOMENT. decide is which is the best position to take statute in favor of placing gold and silver at this time upon the financial question. In stop there. I do not think, I said, and will repeat it, that it is wise to hazard everythis platform is full of incongruous and abtrick.

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In this platform is full of incongruous and abtrick the per money. You have brought into it the stop there. I do not think, I said, and will produce an abundance of this platform is full of incongruous and abtrick the per money. This it will not do. It will shrink the per money. This it will not do. It will shrink the per money. This it will not do. It will shrink the per money. This it will not do. It will shrink the per money. This it will not do. It will shrink the per money. This it will not do. It will shrink the per money. This it will not do. It will shrink the currency of the country. allism. If there be gold monometallists, this platform, and I think if the wise, level, jority report or in the minority report. 1 is the distinguished Senator from Arkansas therefore start with this proposition: That platform would have been different. (Apthe Democratic party stands to-day in fa- plause.) What was the necessity for openvor of gold and silver as the money of the ing up the question of greenback circulacountry. We stand in favor of the proposi- in this platform an implied pledge that this bring about that result. Those I represent. and for whom I speak-the sixteen members of the minority committee-insist that hard money. (Applause.) The Democratic we should not attempt the experiment of free and unlimited comage of silver with out the co-operation of the other great nations. It is not a question of patriotism It is not a question of courage. It is not a question of loyalty. It is not a question of The majority platform speaks of the subject as though it was simply a question as to whether we were a brave enough. people to enter upon this experiment. It is question of business. It is a question of finance. It is a question of economics. Mr. President, I think that the safest, the best course for this convention to have pursued, was to take the first step forward in the great cause of monetary reform by declaring in favor of international bimetal-lism. (Loud applause.) I am not here to assail the honesty or sincerity of a single man who disagrees with me. (Applause.) There are those around me who know that in every utterance I have made upon this subject I have treated the friends of free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 15 to 1 with respect. I am here to pursue that course to-day. (Applause.) I do not think that we can safely ignore the monetary systems of other nations. It is a question about which honest men may differ. I believe we cannot ignore the attr tude of other nations upon this subject any other questions of the day. I know it is said by enthusiastic friends that America can mark out a course for herself. I know that it appeals to the pride of the average American to say that it matters not what other countries may do, we can ar-

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guished Senator who has just left the platform, that this was a sectional question.
(Applause.) I am a Southern man, was
born in the South and carried a musket
as a private soldier during the war. There
you might as well do away with international treaties,
you might as well do away with the comis not one thing connected with the up-building and good of that section of the country for which I am not willing to lay down my life. (Applause.) But above the South and above section, I love the whole South and above section, I love the whole of this great country. (Great applause.)

The great cause in which I and those who cables and by all methods of intercourse, feel as I do are engaged in is not sectional. | we think that it is unwise to attempt this

SINGLE-RATIO PLANK UNWISE.

"Mr. President, I want to call your attention to this single point. I think it unwise, further, for this convention to hazard this contest upon a single ratio. What does this silver platform provide? It should have contented itself with the single statement that it was in favor of the remonetization of silver and the placing it upon equality with gold, but, instead of that, your committee has recommended for adoption a platform which makes the test of Democratic loyalty to hang upon a single ratio, and that 16 to 1. I doubt the propriety of saying that 151/2 to 17 is heresy and 16 to 1 is the only true Democratic doctrine. Permit me to remind you-I see distinguished Senators before me who in the Senate of the United States, friends of free silver, have introduced bills for the a perfect storm of applause. He went to free and unlimited coinage of silver at convention that some of your candidates proposed for nomination are men whom I accept, and whose Democracy is admitted, who have voted time and again in Congress for other ratios than 16 to 1; and yet ing hats in the air. The vast volume of upon a platform that limits and restricts sound ebbed and flowed, and would no them to one single ratio. With all due respect. I think it an unwise step. I think sooner die away than it would again be it will return to us to plague us in the taken up and echoed and re-echoed until future. I think we have too many close the great building rang. "Three cheers for business relations with the other great nations of the world for us to ignore their

"Your proposed platform says that the given with a will, New York, New Jersey, policy of gold monometallism is a British policy. Mr. President, they forget to tell the people of this country that it is a ing in the demonstration. When at last or- French policy also; they forget to tell the der was restored Mr. Hill began calmly, people of this country that it is a German people of the country the country that it is a German people of the country that it is a German people of the country that it is a German people of the country that it is a German people of the country that it is a German people of the country that it is a German people of the co man policy; they fail to remind you that but with a voice that readily reached to the it is a Spanish policy also; they fail to galleries. He said he would not attempt to tell you that it is the policy of the whole answer the Senator from South | number of governments represented in what is called the Latin Union. There-"I can say to him," said Mr. fore, I think it looks a little-just a trifle-Hill, "that I am a Democrat, but not a like demagogy to suggest that this is the

forth and lasted half a minute. As the your platform reads not a single word in Senator proceeded his keen sarcasm cut favor of international bimetallism; not neclike a knife, and made the radical silverites essarily inconsistent with this platformsquirm. He gave grave warning just be- it is the policy of this government to atplatform declares expressly that it is the policy of this government to make steady efforts to bring this about. It would be safer to do it; it would be wiser to do it. We run no risk upon the great question of the finances of this Republic. I do not intend in the brief time allotted to me to enter into any elaborate argument upon

"I assume that this convention desires, as "Ah," replied Mr. Hill, quickly, "who is the people of this country desire, that every there in this convention to speak for his silver dollar coined shall be the equal of wing of the Republican party?" This keen every other dollar coined. (Loud cheers.) response set the gold men to cheering. The of the maintenance of the parity of the demonstration was renewed when, with an itwo metals. I find no suggestion of what is to be done in case the experiment fails. find no suggestion of how you are to brace up this new depreciated currency. Everything is risked upon the mere fact that it shall be given free coinage at the mints. I beg to call your attention to this of distinguished gentlemen who are coun- fact: That in my humble opinion the very seling this policy. They never voted the policy condemned by this platform is the policy that has kept your greenback cur-rency and your silver dollar at a parity with gold during the past years.

THE SILVER PROBLEM "We think that times and conditions have changed. We think that you cannot ignore the fact of the great production of cannot safely ignore the fact, in the preplutionist. I will say further, that no mat- aration of a financial system, that the cost me out of the Democratic party. Without intending to specially reply to the remarks of the distinguished Senator from South that confronts all the world in the solv-Carcina, I will only say that it was a ing of this great question—the immense mere waste of time on his party to assume that we were so ignorant as not to discovery of silver everywhere. The great (Cheers.) But that party has survived the cost of silver production has been nearly reduced one-half. If the American to divide it; it lives to-day, and I hope it will long survive. (Great applause.) My mission here to-day is to unite, not to dimission here to-day is to unite, not to di-via; to build no, not to destroy. (Great applause.) To plan for victory, and not to copper the equal of gold. Must you not take) To plan for victory, and not to copper the equal of go'd? Could they make defeat. (Continued applause and lead the equal of gold. Must you not take theers.) I know that I speak to a con- into consideration the great fact of producvention which, as now constituted, prob- tion, the great fact of lessening of the cost bly does not agree with the views of the | of production in the last fifteen and twenty State that I specially represent upon this years? (Applause.) If bravery, if courage occasion. But I know that, notwithstand- could produce these results, then you could ing the attack that has been made upon | make any metal, no matter what it might be, a money metal. But I tell you, it is a question of economics, a question of business judgment; it is not a question of finance. It is a question of resources. And upon that it is the judgment of the minori-We do not ty of the committee that the safest course is to take the first step in favor of international bimetallism, and stop there. "I know it will be said that in some particulars this platform agrees with our Republican friends. It, to me, is nelther any better nor any worse for it. I call your attention to the fact that your plank upon pensions, your plank upon the Monroe dic-trine, your plank upon Cuba, your plank upon Territories, your plank upon Alaska, your plank even upon the civil service, are exactly like the Republican planks.

> thought the safest course for this convention to have pursued was simply to have cool-headed men, far-sighted men, such as tion? What was the necessity for putting

Therefore, I do not think that that criti-

cism will detract from the value of the sug-

single standard, either of gold or government might issue greenbacks and make them legal tender? "The Democratic party is opposed to your paper money. The Democratic party, from party thinks that the best thing for us to do is to eliminate United States notes and treasury notes from your currency. They are a drag upon your metals. You have constantly kept supplied a fund for their redemption, unless you propose to repudiate them. Therefore, when my friend from South Carolina, and my friend from Arkansas, assert that this platform says what it means and means what it says, I would like to have some one who follows me tell what this platform means upon the subject of the issue of paper money here-after. (Applause.) I am not violating. I think, the secrets of the committee room when I say that it was avowed that this government might desire to pursue that course, and this is an attempt, at this late day, to commit the Democratic party to the suicidal policy of the issuing of paper money. (Applause, and a voice-That is the stuff.') You say you wanted a clear and distinct platform. You have not got it upon

that question. It cannot be defended suc-THE INCOME TAX PLANK. "Another suggestion permit me to make. the platform other questions which have more than we can their attitude upon the never been made the tests of Democratic puted question of the policy and constitutionality of an income tax. What? Has it Court of your country? (Applause.) Will are the men who who were crying against some one tell me what that clause means in this platform? If you meant what you said and said what you meant, will some one explain that provision? (Applause.) That provision, if it means anything, means that it is the duty of Congress to reconstruct the Supreme Court of the country. It means-and it was openly avowed-it means the adding of additional members to it, or the turning out of office and reconstructing the whole court. I said I will not follow any such revolutionary step as that. (Great applause.) Whenever before in the history of this country has devotion to an income tax been made the test to Democratic loyalty? Never! Have you not taken enough, my good friend, now, without seeking to out in this platform these unnecessary, foolish and ridic-

'What further have you done? In this platform you have declared, for the first time in the history of this country, that time in the history of this country, that you are opposed to any life tenure whatever for office. Our fathers before us, our constration in honor of their champion as

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our court judges a life tenure for office. tion. What necessity was there for reviving this question? How foolish and how unnecessary, in my opinion. Are Democrats, whose whole life has been devoted to the service of the party, men whose hopes, lie within party lines, to be driven out of the party upon this new question of life tenure for the court judges of our federal courts? This is a revolutionary step; this is an unwise step; this is an unprecedented step in our party history "Another question that I think should have been avoided, and that is, what was be a single bond issued in times of peace. peal of your resumption act; it means repudiation per se and simple. The state-ment is too broad, the statement is too sweeping, it has not been carefully con-with which he strove to stem the silver sidered. You even oppose Congress doing it; you even oppose the President doing it: current. The speech was crowded with alyou oppose them doing it either singly or literations. One that the Senator coined unitedly; you stand upon the broad proposition that for no purpose, whether to protect the currency or not; whether to preserve your national credit, or for any other | der." rpose, there shall not be a bond issued Why, how surprising that would be to my bonds for the Nicaragua canal and other purposes. (Laughter and cheering.)

NOT WISELY CONSIDERED. true course, and in your anxiety to build was the beginning of social anarchy, he beup the silver currency you have unneces- lieved. "Somewhere in this country there tell you, my friends, without going into a follow him," and this thrust brought yells which is somewhat foreign to this subject-let me tell you what would be the condition of this country to-day if the President of the United States, in the disupon him, had not seen fit to issue bonds bill which unfortunately has not produced a sufficient revenue as yet to meet the nebeen a deficit of about \$50,000,000 a year. It is hoped that in the near future this bill will produce ample revenues for the support of the government; but in the meanthey are presented, if you would preserve the honor and the credit of the Nation. "Where would the money have come from f your President and your Southern Secretary of the Treasury had not discharged their duty by the issuing of bonds to save the credit of the country? Let me your attention to the figures. There has been issued during this administration \$262,obtained the means with which to redeem his salary to pay his expenses home. a foolish issue, which puts us on the de-fensive in every school district in the State. "I do not propose to detain you by any time. It is sufficient that you have entered upon an issue on which the Democ- alty racy is largely divided. In addition to that, you have unwisely brought into this platform other questions foreign to the main question and made the support of them the was the course that should have been pursued. Mr. President, there is time enough yet to retrace these false steps. The bursues if that proposition is an analysis of the standard of values of the standard of values if that proposition is a sked to double the value of wheat, corn, form in its question relating to silver, is question of the preservation of the public credit. You have brought into it the quesprought into it the question of the reconstruction of the Supreme Court. You have made the test of true Democracy. (Great

MAKING A MISTAKE. "Mr. President, it is not for me to reis true to the old fundamental principles of our fathers. I will shake him by the hand and express my friendly sentiments toward him. (Great applause and cheering.) The question of sectionalism will creep in in spite of the efforts of our best men to keep it out. I oppose this platform because I think it makes our success more difficult. I want the grand old party with which I have been associated from my boyhood to be-I have looked forward to the day when it should be-securely intrenched in the affections of the American people. I dislike the Republican party. I dislike all their tenets. I have no sympathy with their general principles, but I do think that we are here to-day making a mistake in the venture which we are about to take. Be not deceived. Do not attempt to drive old Democrats out of the party (applause) that have grown gray in as service to make room for a lot of Republicans and old Whigs and other Populisis that will not vote your ticket after all. (Great applause and cheering.) "Do not attempt to trade off the vote of little New Jersey, that never failed to give its electoral vote, and take the experment of some State out West that has always given its vote to the Republican ticket. (Applause.) I tell you that no matter who your candidate may be in this convention, with possibly one exception. your Populist friends upon whom you are relying for support in the West and South will nominate their own ticket and your silver forces will be divided. Mark the prediction which I make. (Applause and cries of 'No!') some one says no. Who are authorized to speak for the Populist party here in a Democratic convention? (Loud applause.) I saw upon the platform of a day's wages has more than doubled the other day an array of them, giving count name and support to this movement. men who never voted a Democratic ticket in their lives, and never expect to. (Applause.) They have organized this party. They are the men who attempted to proscribe Democrats all over the Union. They us in the days that tried men's souls-dur-"My friends, I thus speak more in sor-

row than in anger. You know what this pletform means to the East. You must realize the result. But, calamitous as it may be to us, it will be more calamitous to you if after all, taking these risks, you do not win this fight. My friends, we want the Democratic party to succeed. We want to build it up. We do not want to tear it down. We want our principles-the good old principles of Jefferson, Jackson, of Tilden, of hard money, of safe money. We want no greenback currency on our plates. We want no paper currency what-ever. We want to stand by the principles under which we have won during the histery of this country, and made it what it is. If we keep in the good old paths of the party we can win. If we depart from them

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Democrat fathers, whom we revere, in he descended from the platform and re-the establishment of this government, gave sumed his seat in the New York delega-

CLEVELAND'S FRIEND.

for the Minority Report. Senator William F. Vilas, of Wisconsin, who had served in the first Cleveland Cabinet as Postmaster-general, stepped to the platform when the Hill enthusiasm had begun to wane. The Senator is familiar to Washington as one of the spokesmen and the necessity, what the propriety of tak- Washington as one of the spokesmen and ing up the vexed question of the issue of one of the defenders of President Clevebonds for the preservation of the credit of the Nation? Why not have left this financial question of the free coinage of silver alone? What have you declared? You have announced the bold policy that under no circumstances shall there ever the likeness. It was to protest against a the likeness. It was to protest against a You have not excepted anything. What proposed revolution in party faith that he does that mean? It means the virtual respoke for the minority. "Ardor will redress

Democratic associates in the Senate, who quiet, except for the intervals when the for the last two or three years have in-troduced bill after bill for the issuing of hands for the Nicerogue canal and other spectators began to swarm about. Their "No, no, my friends, this platform has "When did robbery by law come to be not been wisely considered. In your zeal Democratic doctrine?" The seizure of half of the debts of a nation for the debtors differed only in degree from the whole, he

may be some Marat," he shouted, with bitter intensity, "some Danton, some Robecannot stand a fair discussion. Let me spierre, but you have not the people who wil from the galleries.

THE SPEECH IN FULL. The speech of Senator Vilas is here given: "Mr. Chairman and Fellow-delegates of this National Convention-The majority of committee on resolutions have gracharge of the public duty that is conferred | clously accorded to the minority the privilege of presenting their views to the con-They have conceded nothing more. Upon the subject of overshadowing present importance they propose to lead this body to a declaration which the minority believe abhorrent to Democratic denounced for folly by all history, and to menace dire calamity to this coun try. We shall present, summarily, of course, the reasons which we entertain, or port of the government; but in the mean-time your greenback currency and your recognizing that they now constitute only treasury notes must be redeemed when the earnest and solemn protest of a minority against the proposed revolutionary par-ty faith and conduct and threatened injury are the result of long and sincere study. I cannot alter them for majorities nor personal consequences, but as a man who has aged the management to re-engage them for always maintained a reasonable obedience to be the first duty to accomplish the par-000,000 of bonds. What amount of money have you in the treasury to-day? Only just votedly believed to be necessary for our about that sum. Where would you have good and our liberty. I speak for a State which has maintained the Democratic faith your paper money if it had not been pro-duced by the sale of bonds? Why, my friend Mr. Tillman could not have had about to decide is momentous, painfully so. money enough out of the treasury from | Its right decision demands intelligence and reason. Order will reverse no law of na- WM. M. BIRD, Jr. & CO., 29 East Market Street (Laughter and applause.) Mr. President, I | ture, and feud rage in vain against prinreiterate to this convention that this has | ciples of finance. This convention has powgood as it shall respect that higher law New York World. which it cannot alter. The minority believe the proposal of the majority to be other ciriticism of this platform at this disobedient to that cause, recklessly and flagrantly so, and will cause a fearful pen-

"I will not protract the argument. The Senator from New York-our illustrious and able friend-has already stated the argument. I will summarize the conclusion. test of Democracy. I do not think that this | His speech, in direct proposal, indicates dens you have imposed upon us in the will not produce bimetallism; far from it. Eastern States, in the support of this plat- It is in diametric opposition to the platform of 1892, which proposed an honest biall that can be reasonably borne. But, in | metallism, if the thing be possible at all, addition to that, you have put upon us the | when conditions shall make it possible. And the superlative victory of this scheme will be the honest bimetallism contended for to-

tion of the issuance of bonds. You have day, in the belief that you will thereby se- cial rates and silver be doubled in money CURRENCY WILL SHRINK and not swell our currency. The silver dol- | London Daily Mail. abundance so far as the want of currency is concerned, that the act of 1834 was passed. That was a Democratic measure. That was a measure credited under Democratic leadership by Benton with the favor of Andrew Jackson. That was distinctly accused then as a gold measure, and it raised the standard in this country, but among the foremost nations that maintain and rule the world's commerce and carry the colors of civilization to the furthest regions of the globe. The gold standard is now accused of responsibility for falling prices, but it is never credited when prices rise. In truth, it is entitled neither to the credit nor to the fault. The argument is a false deduction. Would you stop the fall of prices, suppress invention, extinguish entation-in short smite with paralysis the forces of civilization?

"Take from the farmer the harvester and the threshing machine, and wheat will rise; snatch away from the planter the cotton gin. the press, and cotton will rise; let loose on society the things of destruction and they will soon deliver you from this supposed curse of civilization-a cheap abundance. But the gold standard has nothing to do with it. When any standard be fixed with continuing stability, it has no more to do with prices than a yard stick or a pair of scales. The one test which must infallibly prove the fact and prove the excellence of this standard, shows that gold has fallen, not risen in value, and that test ought, above all others, to receive favor in a Democratic convention-the Brown, 50c. wages of labor. During this generation labor throughout the United States, skilled and unskilled, has increased three-fifths-6) per cent., but in the same time the power by reason of lower prices for what the labor has to buy. Will you insult the intelligent wage earners of the United States by proffering to them the state and condition of a Mexican, a Portuguese, a Chinese, or Japanese laborer in place of the American workmen of this country? And, Mr. Chairman, how will you justify the effect of the sudden transition on the value of contracts? Are we to be told that contracts need be reduced one-half? Why will you not adopt this amendment propsed by the committee which shall limit the effect of a change of standard to future con tracts? Thus will you deliver your platform from the imputation of a purpose to plunder. If you shall not, then do not accept the McKinleyism, which is that the foreigner will pay the tax. Our foreign debt is stipulated in gold. For every debtor profited, you will have a creditor injured. Is that right?

QUOTING THE CHAIRMAN. "I desire to read a word or two from a distinguished legal writer, who, since he referred to the records of others, will not compain if I use his great authority to justice is. I refer to the work of the dis-

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